Summary

- Required when a business (person), including sole proprietor, makes commercial pesticide applications. Needed for applying any general use pesticides and restricted use pesticides directly or through an employee.
- The license is valid for one calendar year, January 1 through December 31.

A license is required for each location that a business:

- Operates as a pesticide applicator for hire. E.g. takes pesticide application orders, subcontracts pesticide applications.
- Mixes and loads a total of at least 1,500 pounds of pesticide active ingredient (AI); either at one site, or a group of sites within 1/2 mile of one another. For example, Roundup Pro has 4 pounds AI per gallon therefore mixing 375 gallons equals 1,500 pounds of AI.

Licensing Process

Send DATCP a complete license application form and license fee prior to applying pesticides. A business must employ certified and licensed applicators, or subcontract applications with another licensed pesticide application business. The individual applicators or subcontracting businesses must be identified on the license application form. When a business operates out of multiple locations, separate licenses are required for each location.

Licenses are not transferable to another person or premise location. Notify DATCP when a new business location is added or when there are significant changes to your current license, such as moving to a new location.

Pesticide application business license applications are available at: https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Licenses_Permits.Business.aspx

"Person" means an individual, corporation, partnership, cooperative association, limited liability company, trust or other organization or entity. "Person" includes a county or local government entity, but does not include a state or federal government entity.

Definition from ATCP 29.01(26)